

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 11, 2009

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan

B. ROLL CALL: President Keough

J. Carson	P. Cousins
D. Fisher-Absent	J. Semifero
J. Smith	R. Tell

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes- April 27, 2009.

Motion Smith; support Carson to approve the Regular Council Minutes of April 27, 2009 and the Joint Meeting Minutes with the following corrections:

G. Alan Green's comments under non-arranged participation delete more frugal? and;
N. Mary Fialkowski's comments under non-arranged participation change the and after exit to behind; and in the Joint Minutes, page 7 under C-3, capitalize Green.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith; support Carson to approve the agenda with the elimination of the motion to go into closed session to discuss the Village Manager Performance Review and the addition of L-4 under New Business for the discussion of Refuse Fees.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Sharon Libich of 7802 Winfield, Brighton MI, and Carol Schreck of 453 Sumac Way, Ann Arbor MI, dental hygienists, addressed Council regarding fluoridation of the Village water supply and its benefits. Their comments are attached to the minutes.

Jon Rush of 7930 Fifth Street, Dexter spoke on the subject of speeding on Fifth Street. Jon reported that 1900 cars travel from Edison to Central Street per day and inquired about the placement of a tracking vehicle for ~~s-a~~ped a speed study and patrol of Fifth Street.

Bonnie Bisson of 417 Cambridge, Dexter commented that Dexter residents are not asking about fluoride in the water because they think that it is in the water. The information about the level of fluoride is misleading and asked that Council consider the addition of fluoride to bring it up to the recommended level.

J.D. Boydston of 6951 Wellington Drive, Dexter spoke of his children having cavities and the need for fluoride supplements. He mentioned the lack of information on the amount of fluoride in Village water and encouraged Council to look at the facts on fluoride.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Comcast Channel Line-Up Changes effective 5-27-09
3. Comcast Channel Line-Up Changes effective 6-2-09

I. REPORTS

1. Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office – Sgt. Gieske

Sgt. Gieske spoke on traffic enforcement and a traffic study on Central Street and Fifth Street to give more accurate data over a greater period of time to be provided by a grant through the Washtenaw County Road Commission. This would not be a quick fix but a comprehensive study and would also look at doing Baker Road and Dexter Ann Arbor Road. Sgt. Gieske also mentioned break-ins at strip malls and that the subjects involved are now in jail due to the collaboration of various agencies.

2. Community Development Manager – Allison Bishop

Ms. Bishop submits her report as per packet. In addition Ms. Bishop highlighted the following: received the first site plan in over a year; recommendations for the Parks and Recreation Commission for budgeting over the next year include reinstating an ice rink for skating in Warrior Creek Park; and the Lions Club will be repairing the roof on the small gazebo and the Rotary Club are planting additional trees in the community. Mr. Cousins inquired about picnic tables which will be made of recycled plastic material.

3. Assistant Village Manager – Courtney Nicholls

Ms. Nicholls submits her report as per packet. In addition Ms. Nicholls reported on attending the Police Services Steering Committee and that Scio will be increasing deputies from 5 to 8; the first two weeks of the Farmer's Market was a success as was the Mother's Day project and the Farmer's Market will be advertized on the WAVE bus; and 5 petitions (60 signatures) for cityhood have been turned in.

4. Boards, Commission, & Other Reports

Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee Representative – Paul Cousins
Notes of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee are provided in Ms. Nicholls report. Mr. Cousins also reported that the committee is developing goals and

objectives specific to Dexter; a project of placing a kiosk down by the Main Street Bridge highlighting Judge Dexter's mills; looking at displaying public art; and working in collaboration with the Dexter Library on a speaker series.

Farmers Market Representative – Ray Tell

Mr. Tell reported that the committee is looking at ways to bring people to the market on Tuesdays and coordinate with the Library to have a movie or other activities. Mr. Tell also suggested having a table at the market where visitors could 'ask the Council Person' questions.

5. Subcommittee Reports

No affected reports

6. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. In addition Mrs. Dettling reported on a meeting Friday morning with the Village, Dexter and Webster townships and the Sheriff's Department; handed out an update on the spring construction from Beckett & Raeder; updated Council regarding the Letter of Credit and looking at fixes required by Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment at Dexter Crossings; the safe routes to school group is putting together a work plan; and there is a need to rework the easement plan for the new well field.

7. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough reported that the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation letter reported on at the last Council meeting is detailed in Ms. Bishop's report; the project behind National City Bank is in the process of getting the proper easement in place before the pole comes down; and policy is now in place where by projects such as the DDA project are reviewed by Village staff.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$216,256.13

Motion Cousins; support Smith to approve item 1 of the consent agenda as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Main Street Bridge Project

Discussed the draft of a letter to Gerald Fulcher of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality responding to comments from his April 1, 2009 letter. It was reported that the curbs are in on the Mill Creek Sporting Goods side; Jeffords Street is going through a planning phase at present and will be worked on in the

fall; working on Bridge aesthetics; question raised on the walkway under this Bridge (looking at the third or fourth week in May to do this); and where is the promised timeline.

2. Discussion of: Phase 2 Funding Updates

No report at this time.

3. Discussion of: Facilities

An update report is included in packet. Anticipate a detailed report at the next meeting. The question was raised about soil borings and the decision was to wait until the sketches and cost estimates are ready.

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: Jolly Pumpkin (3115 Broad) Outdoor Seating and Bar/Tavern/
Lounge Special Land Use Request

Motion Semifero; support Cousins based on the recommendation of the Planning Commission and pursuant to Section 8.03, Special Land Use review standards, the Village Council approves the Special Land Use application for a bar/tavern/lounge (café) and outdoor seating at Jolly Pumpkin Artesian Ales, 3115 Broad Street. The Special Land Use permit is granted with the following conditions: 1) the applicant should provide information on street furniture when available and to determine compatibility with the building and architecture; 2) provide information on required enclosure when available; 3) the applicant will be required to submit the outdoor seating permit, fee and Hold Harmless Agreement; and 4) the applicant is permitted to leave the furniture outdoors overnight, if properly secured.

Ayes: Cousins, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

Motion carries

2. Discussion of: Village Water Fluoridation

Comments from Council members are as follows: need to correct misinformation on the level of fluoride in the Village water and look at more information on benefits or raising the levels from .3 to .7; the Village should allow residents the freedom of choice on additional fluoride in water; fluoride programs were done through the school system in the 1950's and 1960's and covered all children in the school district; need for more research in the difference between none and some present in the water supply; and low levels of fluoride is a health issue and what is the appropriate next step.

3. Discussion of: Water and Sewer Ordinance Amendments

Ms. Nicholls explained the need for the hearing on May 26 regarding the amendments.

4. Discussion of: Refuse Fees

Motion Semifero; support Carson to propose an increase in the residential refuse fee by \$2.50 from \$15 to \$17.50 in the advertisement for 2009-2010 water, sewer and refuse rate public hearing

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Carson, Cousins and Keough

Nays: Smith

Absent: Fisher

Motion carries 5 to 1

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Tell	None
Smith	None
Jones	The Robert DeNiro movie filming in the area will be shooting at the Mast Farm homestead over the next 6 weeks.
Semifero	Can we find out about the cost of liquid salt applications on Village streets, is the parking on Alpine Street across from the Farmer's Market posted and Dexter is rated second in the state in Boy's Rugby and playing in the finals tournament.
Carson	Al Kaline was in the Village on Saturday, May 9 for the dedication of the Tyler Steffey Field.
Cousins	The Dexter Rotary's Art, Food and Wine fundraiser is Sunday, May 17 at North Point.

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Walt Ross, 3659 Cushing Court, Dexter spoke about not being a big fan of fluoride and questioned the affects on animals and the watering of plants.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Semifero to adjourn at 10:10 pm.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: May 26, 2009